THE WHIMS OF FAIR WOMEN.

THEIR ODD SAYINGS AND DOINGS, AND THE THINGS THEY WEAR, .

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chesis of clothes had hitle bags of sweet herbs. sweet clover scented the handkerchiefs, and there was a duling edorelingling to everything pertaining to the inly's wardrobe. To-day perfumes are used in even more forms and in all imaginable places. There are sachet-bags to pin into the dress, sachet cases to hold handkerchiefs, others to hold note paper, and others filled with violet powder and orris root to use on the skin. A cluster of tiny perfumed bags hangs over the back of one's lounging chair, and odd little devices scatter a delightful odor about the table of brie-a-brac. A piilow filled with pine needles shods an aromatic perfume over the divan cushions, a rose jar filled with a pot-pourri of rose leaves, sait, and spices, graces the dining room table, and a sponge sprayed with rare perfume stands on a dainty porcelain tray ready to moisten one's finger tips. These are the or linery ornaments now of dining rooms or parlors of all households where enough of an income prevails to allow of any luxurious decoration.

It is a freak of juvenile feminine fancy to combine hairdressing and perfumery. For instance, there is the daisy confure. There is a good deal of frizzle entirely covering the forenead and encroaching upon the cheeks, while a bunch of equally fluffy hair hangs down behind. The name given to this style is meant to indicate guileless youth in the wearer. It is a mode as becoming to youthful and protty faces as it is unfit for old or ugly ones. Now, the neculiarity of the matter is that the girl who fixes her hair in that manner must, if she would be quite correct, perfume it liberally with what is accepted as a daisy scent. The flower itself is almost devoid of smell, but an artificial perfume answears the purpose well enough to suit the whimsical damsels. In those portions of soclety where extreme nicety of taste is affected the daisy hair and the daisy scent invariably accompany each other. There is also the buttercup" method of dressing the hair of young giris. It is a neater and plainer style, but quite as trying to mature heads as the other, and it should only be employed by young and comely girls. An adjunct is a buttercup perfume quite inseparable from it.

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This rage for perfume has incited the dealers in fancy goods to invent all sorts of devices in order to dispose of their oforous wares, and one cannot help weedering in what form a bit of painted satin, with a frill of lace and bow of ribbon, will next appear. The most recent novelty upon the counters is a radical departure from the old forms, and is extremely dainty. It consists of a circular fan, into which delicious sweet-scented grass is bound by they ribbons, edged with a fringe of satin ribbon to match. The handle is simply a bunch of the grass crossed and recrossed by narrow ribbons. The olive green of the grass gives a chance for various striking combinations of color, so that the lady can wave the useful bit of beauty, sniff the delicious odor, and at the same time have a bit of color near her face that will enhance the beauty of her complexion. A dainty trifle for a baby is a bunch of sweet clover, flowers and all, pressed between the muslin edged with lace. It gives a most delicious seent to the tiny wardrobe. Something new is coming to take the place of the favored rose par. It is a suggestion from the Orient, and will be particularly welcome as the approach of summer brings a feeling of languor to everybody. This is a small perfume fountain so arranged that the water falls from a vase of crystal, or porcolain, into a basin of rare design, from which it is taken back into the vase, and continually falls and rises again, a pretty thing to look at and a source of delicious odor. There is room for invention in the use of this fancy by decorating the basin with flowers or rare ferns, or such other material as the owner may select. other material as the owner may select.

The fashionable women in New York are being religiously appeared to in the elevated railroad cars. Fanels in these vehicles are rented out to advertisers, and most of them are kept filled with praise of wear for laddes. This week one space in every car is filled with this text from the Bible: "Clothe thyself in righteousness." Instinctively one looks for the additional advice to buy the required righteousness by the yard of some particular merchant. But there is no such appendage to the inscription. It is easies to be a genuinely pious attempt to turn the thoughts of frivolous shoppers toward religion. Inasmuch as the same panels have hitherto been occupied by an advertisement of the Maid and Express. Eliott F. Shepard is presumably the billianthropist.

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There died in this city not long ago an old There died in this city not long ago an old woman, who to hundreds of New Yorkers presented a grotosque figure. Ten or twelve years ago she was a popular lecturer, gifted with a strong though unpolished eloquence. For nearly two decades this curious woman lived a lonely file in a house near St. Mark's Church, from the graveyard of which A. T. Stewart's body was stolen. After her retirement from the lecture platform she was wont to haant daily the public libraries of the city, and this fact soon led to the discovery that she was fact soon led to the discovery that she was afflicted with kieptemania. Her character was quite above the theory of deliberative theft, and some of her few friends even now are incorant of the shadow which hung over her. By reason of her constant visits she hereams a familiar figure, and an unantigared nuisance to the literarians. She would enter a library, apparently bent on finding some extract of importance. Volume after volume would sealled for and consulted in vain, until finally a pile of thirty or forty books lay before her. Then she would give it up, and hasten out without even thanking the disgusted attendant. Several times books were missed but no one dared accuse her. One day, however, an attendant detected her as she made her oxit with a valuable volume. He followed she was gently reminded of her absent mindedness. But she indignantly spurned the insinuation, and the aftair went no forther; though she ceased to visit that particular library. When she died a large collection of books was found in her house, each book hearing the stamp of the institution from which it had been taken. Many of them, too, were from private libraries, and those most closely guarided. Her skill as a book thief must have been considerable. The volumes were all returned to their rightful owners by her executors.

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They are laughing in one coterie about a young fellow who has come to disaster through being at once a loker with the boys and a masher with the girls. In the former capacity he is ingenious and expert in playing tricks upon his fellows at the club. His intest device was what he called the "gobin squirt." It consisted of a seart pin, the form of which was a comic face, calculated to make the observer look close at it, and this was attached to a water-filled rubber bulb hidden under his shirt bosom. The practical working of this levention was to press on the little tank at the instant when some curlous irlend had his face close to the pin and thus elect a tiny stream of water upon him. Possibly there was no great wit in this joke, but the chan capacity if you much. The mistake that he made was in not putting aside this apparatus when he went out in his capacity of masher. One wealthy maiden was understood to be his serious choice for a wife, and he was in the early stages of carnest endeavor to win her. He called on her, and sat alongside her on a not too-c pacious sofa. They were in some sentimental conversation at close range. Her face was far enough away from the scart plut to satisfy the demands of prepriety, and yet it was near by when he placed his band with a passionale gesture on his heart. But he were the main and the neart lay the little runder han. A senty of water few into the eves of the mainen. It was not a fellow, How is a house that it ended has

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yet come forward who is willing to risk her off-spring in the cause of science. The inventor is himself a bachelor.

In fabrica, wool takes the lead decidedly. There is plenty of silk of course, in a multiplicity of styles, but the best of the costumes, expecially those designed for the atreet, are made of wool. Promenade tollets of ladies' cloth, if made to fit well, impart a more distinguished air to the weater than anything that can be devised in smooth silk, velvet or plush, no matter how much more expensive those materials may be. In the matter of color, silver gray seems to be alread for street wear. An expert tells me that the preference for this has comes from London, and was started by the silver weakling of the Prince and Princess of Wales, where silver gray was worn almost exclusively. But there is nothing undemocratic in the quiet shade, and many of the most popular spring garments are worked out in it. Some of the soft woolden costimus in sliver gray are handsomedy trimmed with silver braid and bends, when the suit is songly fitted the claborate patterns in braid and bends have a look of intime work, so smooth and fine are they laid upon the human figure.

The name "an Adombes Eden" is not proven weinsteal creation of the stage, for I have been to something very like a real Eden of that earl for a week, and it was genuine enough to pinne a young maid into melancholy or an old one into despair. The poace is Atlantic City, N. J., which at this time of year is not the ray bathing resort that you real about in summer, are langue of bath robes and a whirl of firtuitions tun, but an anti-frest resort for invalids. After you have been to the two brotels that open their decrees months before get the idea that one has to be quite rich before one can afford to be an invalid, for the registers of names read like pages out of an citic directory. Young fellows making their way in the world can't afford to be quite rich before one can making their way in the world can't afford to le off in the busiest season, and the consequence is that the crowd at this time is made up of tired and sick old men, who bring their wives and daughters that tongue or pen can describe.

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"That's all nonescase," she said to me: "I ain't interested in clothes, it would vote to have the men and beau her up and the feel of the feel

myself as she did with a real man, all my own. The game of cards played between girls in short skirts and old maids in ringlets proceeded better after she left. There was more whirling of skirts against skirts in the waltz and more vim to the dancing after she disappeared. Once again the hotel clerks, who had been almost forcation, were made much of and surrounded by maidens, and leasted with capties. rounded by maidens, and leasted with carelies, and decked with flowers, and asked to direct letters and postals as before.

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rully and confidently for just such a course of conduct as they would adopt in any other senside place. They troop along two by two, gazing at the sea, walking the beach, gathering shells, buying eandy, and looking through the shops. But the dread awakening comes to all shoper or later, and I think the sea air rather hurries it along. There are no men except caricatores who lium, parodies with one lung, imitations with rhoumatism, and very old, stout, whosey grandrapas with the astima. There is nobody in the place to ask a lady out for a walk, no one turns up with an offer of a carriage ride, normale hands ever shuffle the euchre packs, no trousered limbs ever spring forward to ofter aid to petitionals in distress. It does not take long for any woman to discover that she is bereft of all chance to excite admiration or realousy, to kindle love or to filer, or to ent out her best friend, or to break in a monstachioed since. As there is nothing a woman detests so much as a lot of other women, when the truth is realized it is very bitter. But there is nothing for it except to wait till papa or uncle, or whoever the purseleator happens to be, gets better or worse), and go back to town and the oresence of the sex every woman loves, envies, and wishes she belonged to.

There is a great deal of female seminary courtship going on at Atlantic City—the sort that consists in one girl's choosing another for for a constant companion: but it is confined to very young girl- who have land so little experience that they don't mind vowing to love one another sweats, and see every day actually make if a practice to sit tagether in the sand wapped in one blanket. Bah! they fatigue me, No woman who has ever beined a gentleman to enjoy the theatre, or assisted as weethern able gir, "the only coust resort in America where one's frigzes will stay frizzed, and the only one at which there is no dempness to take the life and style out of a new dress in one of the botic clerks."

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What do the motherly readers of The Sun think of this? In a fourth-story roun of a dinary old office building hardy street down town labors daily a manpreciated, if may be, and perhaps some day he it strike a fortune, indeed, he to serve he is a winter the result of fame. But then he had had been a first the received he a change some they are in the result of the serve he is a winter than the before melt it strike in the received has a familiar to see and the strike of the mother with the tree seary supplut, he sheed intending the strike of the search which he seeds to the far the result of the completed as every supplut, he sheed intending the strike the completed as every large and the strike of the strike ----

This Indian lover was a member of the senior class of Emory College, an accomplished, educated man, one of the most enlightened types of his race. Meeting the handsome young lady who is now his wife on one of her frequent visits to Oxford the acquaintance rapidly ripened into friendship, out of which sprang a love like into the love of Ramona and Alexander, which is now cemented in wedlock and bound with the shinting girdle of a wedding ring. This modern Hiswatha took the daughter of his old enemy, "the pale face," to his native home in Vinita, Indian Territory, where their future residence is to be immediately after the wedding. Through these many he forgotten.

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To the Editor of The Sun—Sir: "Because a child does not follow that he is uninjured," writes a Brooklyn public school teacher,

The craze for amateur photography has a constantly increasing number of devotees among society girls. In one of the fashionable up-town-schools very interesting and striking groups of girls, in all manner of pretty deshabile, are taken by one of the students. Ferhans the prettiest picture in her collection is an interesting reproduction of the symmasium class in their costume—the girls in pretty, unconventional attitudes, with their short kits reaching barely to the knees, their slender, shapely analos and merry, laughing faces. Another society airl has her mirror framed with a collection of pretty girls in all the dainty arrangement of fated frills and lace conceived by the fertile feminine brain, and christened robes de nuit. They are all here to bid me good night," she said, as she righted up a tilling lace-simile of a willowy maiden in visionary robe the loose lacy sleeve is allier away from round uplifted arms as the heautiful impering lingers twisted curl paper into her hair. One of the newest features of charitable entertainments is portrait taking by girls, or rather the making of silhonatties such as the grandfathers of the generation used to have made. From the method of taking it happens that gentlemen are the most numerous and profitable customers of these artistic enterprises, for while our sweet girl busies herself at the paper, tracing the profile, another holds the subject's head in position in her soft white hands, and at the conclusion of the operation he pays a dollar for the silhonette. clusion of the operation he pays a dollar for the slibouette or the accompanying sensation, he doesn't know quite which.

The daughter of a poor and proud and re-fined English family of Boston has rescued her parents from destitution and raised them to affluence through the proceeds of a little invention of her own, which she has patented. invention of her own, which she has patented, and from which she receives a continually increasing income. This invention is simply a new method of treating photographs in reproduction, which is puzzling all the photographers, and which they desire to use in their business, because the girl is getting more orders than she can fill at the excellent price of \$3 for each cabinet reproduction. The pictures are the same size as the original cabinet photographs, but softer and more pleasing in tone, and are mounted under thick plate glass with beveiled edges.

Floral weddings are the latest nuptial whim of wealthy people, at a recent ceremony in Washington the house of the bride's parents being transformed into a veritable bower of roses. The carpet of the drawing room was covered with a glistening white cancas; the celling decerated with a delicate tracery of smilax, studded with pink and white roses; ropes of smilax and rosebuds draped the walk, while curtains of the same concealed the lace hangings of the bay window where the bridal couple stood. The mantles, stands, cabinet shelves, and window ledges were banked with moss and roses, while in the corners stood large, tall vases filled with roses of red and white. Throughout the whole house there was the same abundance of flowers, while the ball-room was decorated with tropical plants and festooned with rose wreaths. The musicians gallery was draped with smilax and bonsilene bads and the deliver room was decented with the ball-room was decorated with smilax and bonsilene room was decorated with tropical plants and festooned with rose wreaths. The musicians' galiery was draped with smilax and bonsilene buds, and the dining room was decorated with a profusion of pink and white roses, white carnations, and pink aralens. The white cloth on the table was relieved by a broad band of pink silk plush laid down the centre, in the middle of which was a triple silver spergne upholding bowls of Venetian glass of pale pink, crowded full of pink and white buds, and the bridal cakes were wreathod with rosebuds.

The spirited ladies of Maine are manifesting a The spirited ladies of Maine are manifesting a decided interest in the management of public affairs, and during a recent local election in a small city they occupied the galiery of the City Hall, and listened attentively to all the business in a practical sort of way. They served an excellent dinner during the neon adjournment, netting a handsome sum, which they voted to extend in the building of a sidewalk in a neglected part of the towa. This kind of practical helpfulness was thoroughly appreciated by the gentlemen, and it is prophecied that tieal helpfulness was thoroughly appreciated by the gentlemen, and it is prophesied that the day is not far distant when this state will follow the example of its Western sisters, and recognize the claim which ladies have in the management of public affairs.

Rochester has a musical prodigy, not a Hofperformances as did the boy pianist in the metropolitan musical world. This newly discovered wonder is a sweet-faced young girl of good standing in society, whose parents have concealed her remarkable gift from the general public, and from most of her intimate friends as well, until the secret was inadvertently revealed by the fair musical nerself during one of her rapsodies. The manifestations of this peculiar taiont evidence unusual musical ability and technical skill, and are only exhibited when the girl is in a sort of a trance, or, as her parents prefer to designate it, an inspired condition, for they repudiate any belief in spiritualism and quickly resent any intimation that they invoke the aid of supernatural means solicited by ordinary mediums. When the young woman passes into this state she seas, herself at the piano, closes her eyes, and after a few preliminary twitches of the muscles of her face and a shrug of her shoulders she passes her finger lightly over the keys and begins to sing, at the same time playing her own accompaniment. There is nothing remarkable in this performance, for there are many people who can timy the ninn with their aves that but at the same time playing her own accompaniment. There is nothing remarkable in this performance, for there are many people who can play the plane with their eyes shut, but the wonder is that with a knowledge of music limited to the rudiments, the girl improvises rare harmonies, strains of soft majestic sweetness, chards of solemn, touching pathos, and veird, wild symphonies, at the same time singing in low, melodious notes somes in foreign tongues which she has never studied and does not understand, though they are perfectly intelligible to any one conversant with the language. Seidom has she played a familiar air or sing an English song; on several occasions she has played the harp, though never having received any instruction on that instrument, and she has also distinguished herself by playing on a church organ in a highly creditable manner with no practice. The music she mays is of a weird, wild style, not easily copied and of too high an order to be of her own compesition, and the same accompaniment cannot be played a second time.

The girl does not seem to undergo any unusual mental or physical strain in giving these performances, and when questioned concerning her sensations says that she is removed as it were from all that is earthly and experiences the most delightful exhibaration imaginable. She does not realize where she is or what she is doing or saying, and when she returns to her material self cannot reproduce her visions or recall her sensations, it was the purpose of her parents to concealler strange musical precedity, but in the presence of a large number of irlands on one occasion she andienly became impered and improvised several rare compositions to the seconishment of the company and the consternation of her mother.

One of His Famous Theories Discredited by

When Darwin was a young man, the work that did more than anything else to give him a wide reputation as a rising man of science was his investigation of the coral reefs of the Pa-eifle during the cruise of the Beagle, and his famous theory with regard to their origin, which, for a half century, was accepted by the scientific world as the correct explanation. Darwin's theory is now rejected by some of the ending authorities on deep sea investigation. The most recent contribution to this subject The most recent contribution to this subject is the work just published by Prof. Alexander Arnassis on the occanic researches of the United States steamer Islake, during which his invessingations of the sense of provide have led him to reject the Darwina theory as correctly explaining their origin. It was Prof. Durwin's using their origin, it was prof. In the stratures in sladiow waters, and that the gradual subsishere of the occan had enabled them continually to had to the height of their structures, while they themselves romained in the limited deaths of the resistoral zone. In this way he believed the great occanic zone in this way he believed the great occanic zone in this way he believed to great occanication, and he width rose to the assumption that immensely as a factor of the contact ornations.

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If these classes of ninety and one hundred are necessary for economical reasons, it is an entire perversion of the fundamental idea of the public school system that abuses should be suffered in the primary schools for lack of funds, when hundreds of thousands of dollars are spent annually at the other end of the line on the two so-called colleges.

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After several years of wholesale teaching in overcrowded primaries, little children of 8 or 9 or 10 years of age arrive at the lowest grammar grades. Here they are examined and taught to be examined in fifteen subjects—reading, spelling, oral science, correction of grammatical errors, mental arithmetic, written arithmetic, sinte writing, copy-book writing, drawing, music, tables, dictation, sentence building, geography, and composition; and occasionally the drill has been so marvelous sand so inhuman) that 100 per cent, has been obtained in some of the studies for the class average, I do not believe that this average has ever been attained at Harvard or Yale. Instead of the child's mind being concentrated on a few distinct subjects, his attention is spread over ill-the same subjects, all of which could, with much greater benefit to the child, be referred to the "three R's." The teacher insists that every child shall be posted on overy topic in the fifteen branches, because she wishes a high "class average:" for upon the average of her class depends her own mark and her chances of promotion. Upon the Superintendent rests oncern-oved as riences simable, that she cannot the responsibility of those subdivisions of subjects, and this system of marking on class averages, which are important factors in bringing about the bad results at the top of the schools.

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FOR THE CHILDREN'S SAKE.

AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN,

A Teacher on the Evils of our Public Schools—What Reforms are Needed—Abolish the Normal Cellege, if Need be, but Stop the Cramming System.

To the Editor of the Sux—Sir: "Because a child does not drop dead, or have a fit on the spot, it does not follow that he is uninjured," writes a Brooklyn public school teacher, and the general public is gradually becoming converted to her opinion. The signs of discontent that always precede the uprising of the public schools of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the subject of reform, is the object of this letter, written by one who has been for more than twenty-five years a scholar and teacher in the public schools of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the subject of reform, is the object of the real public schools of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the subject of reform, is the object of the real public school of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the subject of reform, is the object of the real public school of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the public schools of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the public schools of New York City. To protest against these methods, to rouse general interest in the public schools of New York City. To so, should be appeared to the responsible for all the fills, physical, mental, and moral, existing and admitted to exist in our schools, is to say what every one already knows. What every one does not know (or life he knows does not know (or life he kno

strain for the ten and a half years of their school life; that they are daily hurried and pushed from one exercise to another, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., often from 8:30 A. M. to 3:30 P. M., often from 8:30 A. M. to 3:30 P. M. and that then they go home to study their lessons for the next day, not to rest.

True, the children are not engaged in bard study during the whole or even a small part of these six or seven hours, but they are nagged at and scolded, hurried, and questioned, and examined throughout the whole time, undergoing as severe a strain upon the nervous system as could be produced by any amount of hard study occupying the same hours, without attaining the gratifying results that follow from time well employed. In the higher grammar grades the pupils go home weighel down with lessons that often necessitate study into the first three feast.

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A STORY OF A SPIRITUALIST,

Kate Fex's Failure to Reuse Carlyle in His Own House.

Two American ladies who were sight-seeing in England several years ago went to Chelsea to visit the home of the Carlyles. The house was for sale and was empty, and the strangers had been led to understand that they could get a permit to see it without difficulty. In their zeal to see it without difficulty. In their zeal to see it without difficulty. In their zeal to see the house, after having failed to find the agent who had the key, they rang the beli of the adjoining house, and, asking to see its mistress, told their wishes and asked her advice. She was the soul of good nature, and laughingly said she had a key and would show them through the famous home of the Carlyles. There was a guest in the drawing room who was introduced as Mirs Jenekin, and the halfes soon learned that it was Kate Fox Jenekin, the American Spiritualist, The hostess seemed to be anxious about her, and was evidently opposed to any direct conversation with her, but she would talk, and linally exclaimed: "Why, if you want to hear of Carlyle in the next result is the convertible."

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FASHION DECREES MORE BUTTONS, They'll be Worn All Over a Dress by the Grees, Just for Trimming's Sake.

To the button manufacturers, who have

been waiting a good while for fashion to make

a "boom" for them, there is joy and gladness in the fact duly recorded by THE SUN's fashion reporter the other day, that buttons are again coming into fashion for dress trimming. That does not mean simply that buttons are to take the place of hooks and eyes, pins, strings, and other mysterious feminine devices, but that buttons are to be sewed on dresses in all sorts of unexpected and surprising places, where there are no buttonholes to go with them, and where they can serve no possible end but ornament. That is what it means for buttons to be a fashionable trimming. A good many years ago they held that favored place, and the fancy for them went to such an extent that some-times as many as two gross of them were stuck on a single dress. Doubtless the wearer of such a costume felt that she had realized the expectations of Cousin Joe in the farce of "The Rough Diamond," whose delighted anticipation it was that he should speedily become a page and "have buttons all over" him. But when matters went to such an extreme a reaction set in, and buttons were suddenly reand braids and heaven and the women only know what all shee. Gatha my works were all the Court parts and, buttons have allowly and with difficulty been reasserting themselves and get this globe into popular favor. At first—and strangely enough, too, in view of the fact that it is a marter of feminic capries that is under consideration—the buttons came back on an utilitation best processed to the strain of the court of the fact that it is a marter of feminic capries that is under consideration—the buttons came back on an utilitation best processed to find the court of the fact that it is a marter of the find; they presented the field, they presented the field they presented they are the field they are they are they are they are they are they are the field they are they are they are they are they are they are the field they are they are they are they are they are they are the field they are they are they are they are they are they are the are they are the are they are the are four years past, buttons have slowly and with difficulty been reasserting themselves and get-

forced into the shell. It is rapidly done, and is a more profitable branch of manufacture than the metal button making.

The metal button may be said to be similarly made, but it is with a good deal of difference, nevertheless. The paliet is there, and a steel ring or loop protrudes through it, for the shank and the shell is squeezed over the paliet and its edge turned down. But the face of the metal button may be in any one of a multitude of designs, often consists of several pleces daintily but firmly put together and fastened on the inside of the shell, and involves a vast deal of skilled labor in many ways for its production. Minute knots of cut steel are in some employed as centres and surrounded by fanciful metal shapes; some are concave and fined with such a brilliant tint, articily applied, that they seem to be convex and of colored glass;

FRONTIER JIM AT HOME.

THE STRANGE ABODE OF A HERMIT OF

THE YELLOWSTONE. Perched High on the Walls of the Second

Canon - A Visitor's Slight Error About Firearms-The Story of a Bear's Ride. From the son Francisco Chronicle.
Far up in the second caffon of the Yellowstone, where the river boils and tears along through a parrow gorge hemmed in on either side by lofty basaltic walls, lives a strange character named "Frontier Jim." James Fer-guson is his true birthright, but so long is it

since the old fellow has heard his true baptin-

mai title uttered by human lips that he has

almost forgotten it himself. This old mountaineer has lived for many decades in the isolated spot he calls home, isolated until the railroad pushed its way up the canon and opened a gateway into the great Yellowstone National Park.

I discovered Frontier Jim some seven of eight years and or, rather. I should have said he discovered me. It was about the fall of 1880 that I chanced to be knocking about in the rart of the United States, and while riding along through that sublime chasm of nature known as the Second Caffon I haprened to cast my eyes unward, and was astonished and surprised to see porched high in the air on the rocky walls overhanging the deen abyss, a hunter's rude cabin. While gazing in thoughtful amazement at the structure I was startled nearly out of my wits by the sound of a human voice almost in my ear remarking in good English:

"Purty high up, aint it, stranger?"

I sprung to my feet and cast an eye at my National Park.

in recognizing a mountain rum, who evidently was not very well acquainted with Jim's skilful handling of a rife, else he would not have remained there in stupid ignorance, impudently

mained there in stupid ignorance, impedently gazing at us.

"See that 'ar buck on the rock over against the sky? Well, watch me put daylight through him," said Jim.

The Winchester was at his shoulder and fired almost before I knew what had taken place. The sheep made one bound far out into space, and then came rolling down the rocks almost at our feet. I looked for the shot mark, and some 4-5-calibre hole through the skull just below the horns. The old scout cut and dressed the meat, and labil it by for future use, making me a present of the horns. declar Skilled labor in many ways for its perduction. Must knowledge to the short during the state of the state of the short with such a prilinant title, artilly applied, that with such a prilinant title, artilly applied, that with such a prilinant title, artilly applied, that with such a prilinant title, and profit of the same of the state of the state